

CUMMINS' PLAN IS SQUELCHED BY COMMITTEE

Unanimous Vote Rejects Senator's Move to Send Delegation to Snoop on Peace Session.

REGARDED AS UNDIGNIFIED

Chairman Hitchcock Will Make Report in Conformity to His Promise Made to Cummins.

Washington, Dec. 5.—(I. N. S.)—The senate foreign relations committee today killed the Cummins resolution for a senatorial committee of eight to attend the peace conference.

The vote against the resolution was unanimous. Different members voted against it from different motives. Chairman Hitchcock said some believed that appointment of such a committee would be undignified, others that it would embarrass the American peace commissioners; that it would detract from the influence of the president, and that the senate could be better advised from other sources.

Chairman Hitchcock reported the resolution to the senate adversely this afternoon in conformity with his promise to Senator Cummins that the measure would not be buried.

Can Call League Congress

Washington, Dec. 5.—(I. N. S.)—President Wilson has the power at any time to call an independent world congress for the formation of a league of nations, and the discussion of limitation of armaments and the freedom of the seas.

He was authorized to call such a conference at the conclusion of the war by an act of congress passed August 22, 1916, in which the congress went on record as favoring settlement of international differences by arbitration and a reasonable diminution of armaments.

The act was recalled today in connection with the agitation by Republican senators for putting over the discussion of a league of nations until after the peace treaty is signed.

Senator Brandegee of Connecticut expressed the Republican view when he said:

"Agreeing on the formation of a league of nations probably will take many months, perhaps years. The ideas of some senators on this subject could not be put in effect in a hundred years. In the interests of a speedy peace, the discussion of this and other troublesome questions that will take much time in solution, should be put over for a future conference to deal with."

Senator Knox, author of a resolution advising the president that it is the sense of the senate that the league of nations and any sweeping change in the law of the seas would be put over for future discussion, said today that he believed his measure would have the support of many leaders on both sides of the senate chamber.

The Knox resolution is in effect a

threat that the senate may refuse to ratify any treaty making provision for an international league to enforce peace or for changes in international law as it relates to the seas.

It seemed probable today that Democrats on the foreign relations committee would seek to bury the Knox resolution there.

The act authorizing the president to call a conference of nations after the peace treaty is signed also provided that there should be nine American citizens named as delegates. The congress assumed in passing it that every other nation participating would be represented by an equal number of men.

WOULD PROTECT RUSSIAN INDUSTRY

Lenine Comes Out for Extreme Protection to Make Russia Strong Industrial Nation.

By Raymond Clapper
Washington, Dec. 5.—Lenine, casting overboard ideas of his soapbox days, has come out for extreme protectionism to make Russia a strong industrial nation, semi-official diplomatic advice stated today.

Attempts to flood Russia with agricultural machinery, railway equipment, textiles, leather and clothing will be fought by the soviet government, it is stated, to protect Russia's infant industries.

Summarized, the soviet foreign trade policy, as outlined in these advice, follows:

1. Import of articles in general use, including boots and shoes, restricted.
2. Importation of luxuries forbidden.
3. Import of foodstuffs to be permitted temporarily.
4. Agricultural machinery must be manufactured, railway traffic must be safeguarded, as must industries connected with agricultural, textiles, leather and timber.
5. Exports in raw materials must be reduced, and exports of manufactured goods increased.

This latest policy of Lenine's is the same as that attempted by the late finance minister of the czar, Count Witte, who attempted at all costs to create a national industry for Russia.

800,000 Acres of Land Near Eugene To Be Irrigated

Salem, Dec. 5.—The Banham Irrigation company of San Francisco today completed its filing in the office of State Engineer Cupper for the appropriation of waters of McKenzie river for the irrigation of 800,000 acres near Eugene. It is estimated that canals and other works to be constructed will involve expenditure of \$1,235,000. Work is to begin within a year after the filing is approved. The land to be irrigated lies around the towns of Coburg and Harrisburg, on the east side of the Willamette river.

Colds Cause Grip and Influenza
LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets remove the cause. There is only one "Bromo Quinine." E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. 30c.—Adv.

DIRECTOR ACCUSES WAR DEPARTMENT

Red Cross Official Says Casualty Reports Have Been Greatly Delayed.

Washington, Dec. 5.—(I. N. S.)—That the war department has "squelched" information on casualties gathered by Red Cross representatives with the American troops in France was charged today by Dr. Castle, director of the Red Cross bureau of communication.

Dr. Castle asserted that the war department had ordered his office to deny relatives of soldiers information about soldiers unless those relatives had already been officially notified of the soldier's condition by the war department. He testified that mail sent through the Red Cross by a wounded soldier could not be forwarded by his office unless an official report of the wound had been made to the relative by the department. Numerous times he had been asked by relatives for information concerning soldiers but he had to deny them the information under the war department order, Dr. Castle said.

An effort by him to have the ban lifted by the department so that he could send out the mass of information that he had accumulated in his office awaiting the official announcement, he said, met with a refusal by the department.

The Red Cross system of gathering casualties information, although not as thorough as that of the department, was speedier, Dr. Castle contended, but notwithstanding this the department had never appealed to the Red Cross for information. He said he had heard of cases in which the war department had been asked for information concerning a wounded soldier and had answered it had none while the full information lay in his office.

SOLDIERS AND REDS IN CLASH

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already turned over their guns and receipts have been given them.

Corps and divisions headquarters are generally established in school houses or other public buildings.

The only untoward incident recently reported occurred today when some school children in the little village of Schleich threw decayed vegetables at American officers. The latter ignored the affair.

The most advanced elements of the third army have occupied the towns of Wittlich, Berncastel and Zellinger.

American Army Hails
By Bert Ford

With the American Army of Occupation in Germany, Dec. 5.—(I. N. S.)—(By Courier.)—The American third army rested today, following their long three days' hike towards the Rhine.

The head of the American forces is now well beyond Bitburg, 15 miles north of Treves.

The army has been traveling at the rate of about 12 miles a day.

American troops have continued to pour into Treves and around the city and are viewed by the populace with

the same sullen silence as greeted the appearance of the vanguard.

As the doughboys marched through the streets of the city they made a stern, vigilante appearance looking neither to the right nor left and with faces absolutely impassive.

The swiftly marching columns made an impressive picture as they advanced as though to battle, steel helmets upon their heads and rifles firmly gripped.

The attitude of the Germans has been respectful and reports show that the people are orderly in all of the villages occupied.

It is obvious, however, that the Prussians are filled with emotion and this was probably expressed by a little girl in a red dress who stuck out her tongue at the soldiers as they were pouring through Treves.

Fleets of Food Found
General Preston Brown, military governor of the occupied territory, and General Harry Smith, director of division affairs, are busy conducting an investigation into conditions. Staff officers, upon orders from General Smith, made a food inquiry and found that the inhabitants in the thirty or more villages under control of the Americans have ample, although the quality is below the peace standard.

The Americans in their advance past Treves surrounded the town, moving forward in battle formation.

It has been found that some of the communities are having their affairs administered by soldiers' and workmen's councils; others by burgomasters.

Pershing Makes Report
Washington, Dec. 5.—(I. N. S.)—Continuing its advance south of the Moselle, the American army yesterday reached the general line Berncastel-Malborn-Ostenhausen, General Pershing reported to the war department today.

The submarine cable of the Commercial and other cable companies were seized by the government through a proclamation issued by President Wilson on November 2. But this proclamation did not become effective until on or about November 16, the plaintiff company declares.

The case presents a new question in constitutional law, for it is alleged by Charles E. Hughes, counsel for the cable company, that with the signing of the armistice the war powers of the government came to an end except where necessary to finish matters already in the hands of the government prior to the signing of the truce.

The seizure is alleged to have been illegal on the ground that it was an exercise of war powers that expired with the signing of the armistice.

RIGHTS OF U. S. TO CABLE FOUGHT

Charles Hughes Argues That War Power of President Ended With the Armistice.

New York, Dec. 5.—(I. N. S.)—Far reaching results affecting government control of public utilities are expected from a suit brought by the Commercial Cable company to prevent Postmaster General Albert S. Burleson from retaining and operating the lines of that concern, lawyers declared here today.

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Arthur Knouff Is Among Heroes Dead On Battle Field

Arthur Knouff, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Knouff of 328 East Fortieth street, was killed in action in France the day before the armistice was signed, according to official word received from the war department.

Knouff is survived by his wife, Rosalie LaRoche Knouff, daughter of City Attorney W. P. LaRoche, and an infant child, born after the father went to the front. Other relatives are a brother, Everett, also in the service, a brother in the eastern states, and a sister, Mrs. Howard Tilton of Portland.

Knouff was well known in Portland, having been one of the star athletes at Washington high school and a member of the crack freshman team of the University of Oregon in 1916. A gold star will be placed on the Sunnyside Methodist church service flag in honor of Knouff, as he attended this church.

Natural gas has been discovered in Holland in sufficient quantity to supply a small commune.

COLUMBIA

NOTICE! We sell only tickets for seats we have vacant. When entering theatre, please take seat as directed or return to ticket office for refund of admission. C. S. JENSEN.

TONIGHT TOMORROW

WALLACE REID in "The Man From Funeral Range"

Some how

TRANSPORT ADRIATIC, BRINGING 90 OFFICERS, 2,092 MEN, EN ROUTE

Ship Carrying Aero Squadrons, Construction Units and Casuals, Sailed Dec. 1.

Washington, Dec. 5.—(U. P.)—Carrying 90 officers and 2,092 enlisted men, the transport Adriatic sailed from Liverpool for New York on the afternoon of December 1. General March announced today.

The troops consist of seven aero squadrons, five construction companies of the air service and casuals.

On the Adriatic are these aero squadrons: 838th, 5 officers, 134 men; 338th, officers, 144 men; 136th, 3 officers, 128 men; 334th, 2 officers, 138 men; 472d, 4 officers, 144 men; 377th, 4 officers, 179 men; 837th, 3 officers, 108 men. Construction companies: Fourth, 8 officers, 244 men; Sixth, 5 officers, 241 men; Seventh, 5 officers, 236 men; Eighth, 3 officers, 242 men; Ninth, 5 officers, 242 men. Casuals, medical detachment, 4 officers, 17 men. Casuals, 40 officers, 1 man.

Canope Bringing Contingent
Paris, Dec. 5.—(U. P.)—In addition to the steamers Empress of Britain and Adriatic, bound for New York with American soldiers aboard, the Canope has left Liverpool for Boston with 40 officers and 1,052 men of the air service. It was officially announced today.

The Empress of Britain is carrying six aero squadrons, comprising 20 officers and 850 men; four air service construction companies of 24 officers and 925 men, and about 400 sick and

wounded, with attendant nurses, medical officers and men.

Come in British Transport

New York, Dec. 5.—(I. N. S.)—The British transport Orca, bringing 1,924 American troops, docked today at the foot of West Fifth street and the Hudson river. She arrived off quarantine Wednesday night. The men from Orca will be taken at once to Camp Mills.

The hospital ship Comfort, with 400 wounded officers and men aboard, is expected to dock at the army piers today. She has been delayed three days by rough weather.

Carrying 9,000 soldiers from France, the first large number of unwounded Americans from the front, the Leviathan, formerly the German liner Vaterland, is expected to reach the army piers here on December 15. It was learned today. The Leviathan is taking on troops and supplies at Brest, France.

Lieutenant George Garrett Dunn of Oakland, Cal., who returned on the Orca, and an aviator who saw action

at the front, was bitter in his denunciation of the enemy.

"The Boches are dirty fighters and do not even respect the dead. My chum (I will not mention his name, for I would not want his relatives to hear this) was shot down four miles behind the German lines. When we finally took those trenches I sought out and found my friend's wrecked airplane and his body. The Germans had stripped the body of everything, including underclothing. They had stolen two rings that he wore. We buried him—well, we were not strong for giving the Germans quarter after that."

Nevada Woman to Seek Senate Seat

Reno, Nev., Dec. 5.—(U. P.)—Miss Anne Martin will run for the United States senate and she has a "splendid foundation for future victory," according to her declaration before the Nevada Women's Civic league here today.

U. S. Navy Soon to Discharge 100,000

Washington, Dec. 5.—(U. P.)—Discharge of 100,000 men from the navy as soon as convenient has been authorized by Secretary Daniels. He said the forces would be considered as units and no individuals would be dismissed in Europe.

Exchange Suspends Charles Morgan

New York, Dec. 5.—(I. N. S.)—Charles Morgan of the New York Stock Exchange firm of Morgan & Kane, has been suspended from the exchange for five years. It was announced by officials today. No reason for the suspension was given.

LAST TIMES TONIGHT

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"THAT FIGHT IN THE WIRELESS ROOM HAS BEEN THE TALK OF THE WHOLE CITY"

BIG BILL HART

in

"THE BORDER WIRELESS"

OTHER ATTRACTIONS

NEW SHOW TOMORROW

FRANK KEENAN

in

"MORE TROUBLE"

The Funniest Comedy of the Year



Now \$5,400,000.00 is a GOOD sum—but this is the amount of business the "NUT HOUSE" would like to do in one year—and I know you will enjoy contributing toward this \$5,400,000.00 by buying "NUT HOUSE NUTS OF QUALITY"

Yours very truly,

The Chief Nut

LIBERTY

Useful Gifts for Christmas

The war has taught us to be practical. Christmas this year will be a time of practical gift-giving.

What could be more pleasing and useful to a man than sound, sensible apparel?

When you decide to give him a

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shirts, gloves, underwear, socks, a hat, umbrella, ties, collars, cuff links, a scarf pin, or what not—come to this practical gift store and make your selection from our large and comprehensive assortments.

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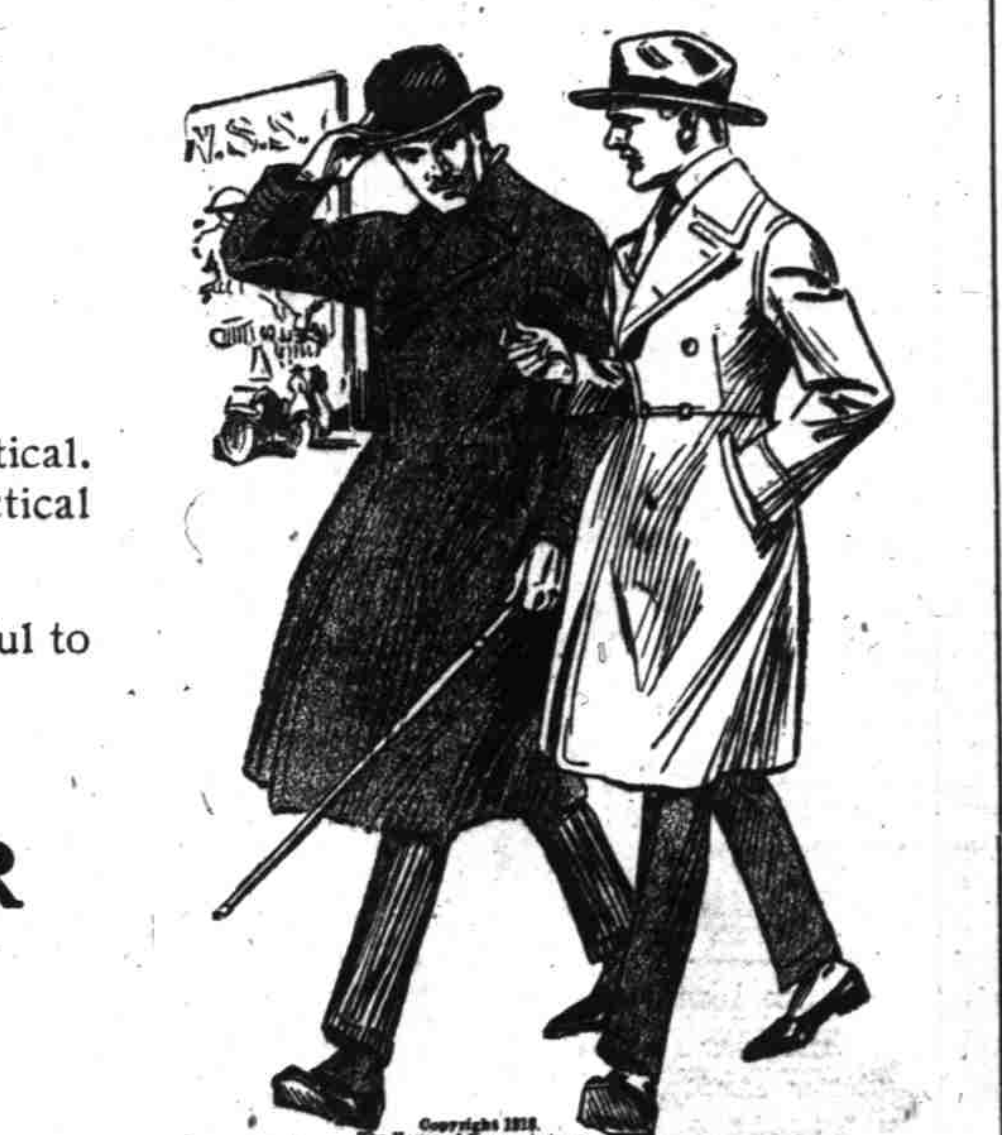
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\$30, \$35, \$40 and up

Lion Special Suits and Overcoats \$20, \$22.50, \$25

The Kuppenheimer House in Portland The Ralston Shoe House in Portland

MORRISON AT FOURTH

Another Ideal "Practical" Gift Would Be a Silk Petticoat

—Here you'll find hundreds of them—all Jerseys—Dresdens, plaids, plain colored and changeable taffetas and satin de luxe ones, ranging in price from\$3.95 to \$15

PetticoatSpecial\$5.95

—Underprice! All taffetas and Jersey tops flounced with taffeta. All wide ruffled and with elastic fitted tops.

—Solid colors and changeables.

—You will find a Charge Account at the Eastern a Splendid Convenience when doing your Christmas shopping.

Eastern Outfitting Co.

WASHINGTON STREET AT TENTH

The Smartest of Skirts Now \$8.75

Silk Failles, Messalines, Serges and here and there is a twill that you'll like for sports wear.

—Every one of these skirts has been reduced from a price a good bit higher. The failles and messalines are in black, taupe and navy. Serges are in navy blue and in striped effects, and, too, there are novelty weaves.

—Many styles for tailored wear and for "dress-up" wear, with a dainty Georgette or crepe de chine blouse.

—and here's the very Blouse you'll want

Georgette, Crepe De Chine Blouses at \$5.85

—There are fluffy, ruffy styles for wear with your silk skirt and there are more tailored models for business and tailored suit wear. Any number of attractive new models have just arrived and they're very specially priced at \$5.85.

A Splendid Christmas Gift!

Sweater Coats

—By far the smartest one you'll find anywhere is here. Fibers, pure silks, wool worsteds in slip-on and regulation coat styles. Among the coat styles is the very popular Tuxedo model.

—Solid colors—two tones. Several clever models are Alpaca finished.

Prices range all the way from \$5 to \$42.50

Umbrellas For Men

—Every style and every color that's made—and at the price you want to pay! An umbrella is sure to be a highly appreciated Christmas Gift!

—May we have the pleasure of extending this convenience to you the first time you're up town?

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